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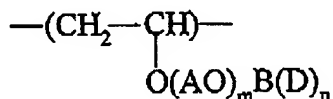
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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A dispersible composition comprising a polymer compound, a functional substance, and a solvent or a dispersion medium, the polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1)



wherein A is a straight-chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different with each other; B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10, and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other; and wherein the polymer compound is a block polymer; and wherein the functional substance is encapsulated in the polymer compound.

2. (original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polymer compound further contains a residue selected from the group consisting of carboxylic acid ester, carboxylic acid and carboxylic acid salt.
3. (original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the polymer compound is amphipathic.

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4. (canceled)

5. (original) The composition according to claim 4, wherein the monomer unit of the general formula (1) is incorporated in a hydrophobic block segment of the polymer compound.

6. (canceled)

7. (original) The composition according to claim 1, wherein the functional substance is a colorant.

8. (currently amended) A toner composition comprising a dispersible composition according to claim 1, wherein said functional substance is a colorant~~a polymer compound, a colorant, and a dispersion medium, the polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1) wherein A is a straight chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different each other; B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10, and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other.~~

9. (currently amended) An ink composition comprising a dispersible composition according to claim 1, wherein said functional substance is a colorant~~An ink composition~~

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~~comprising a polymer compound, a colorant and a solvent, the polymer compound comprising a monomer unit represented by the general formula (1) wherein A is a straight chain or branched alkylene group of 1 to 15 carbon atoms with or without substitution; m is an integer of 0 to 30, and when m is 2 or more, A is the same or different each other; B is a single bond or an alkylene with or without substitution; D is a substituted or unsubstituted aromatic ring structure; n is an integer of 1 to 10, and when n is 2 or more, D is the same or different with each other.~~

10. (original) The ink composition according to claim 9, wherein the polymer compound further comprises a residue selected from the group consisting carboxylic acids, carboxylic acid esters and carboxylic acid salts.
11. (original) An image forming method comprising a step of applying a dispersible composition according to claim 1 onto a recording medium to form an image.
12. (canceled)